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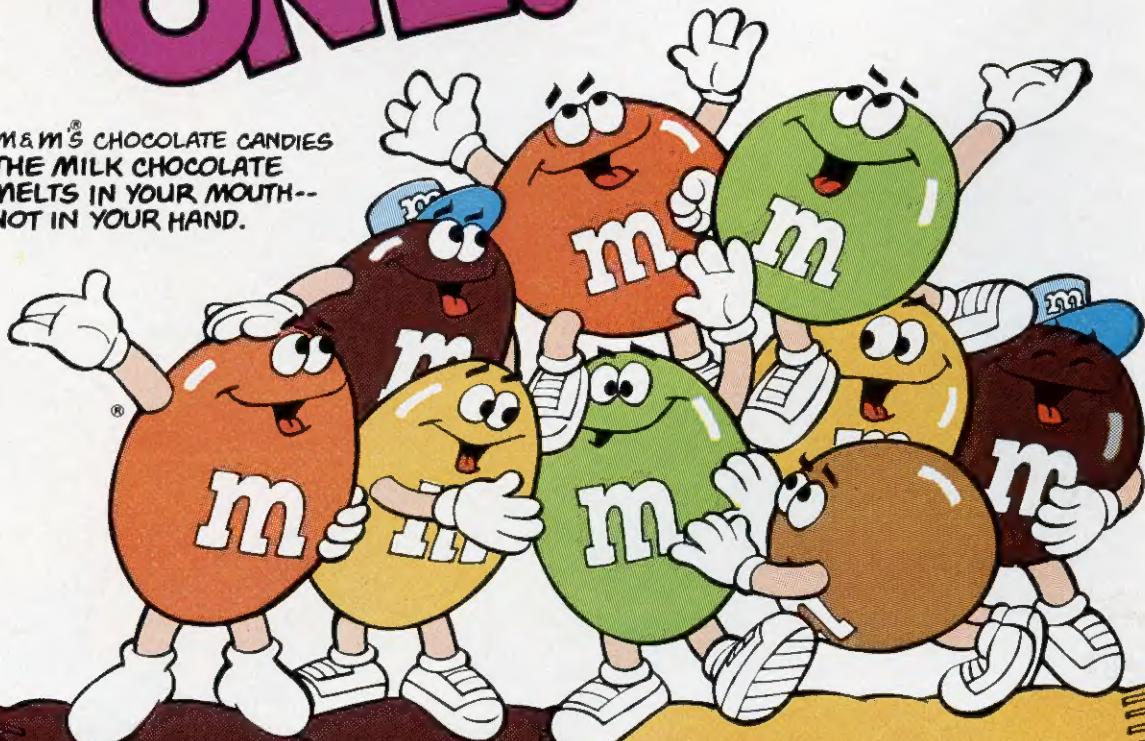
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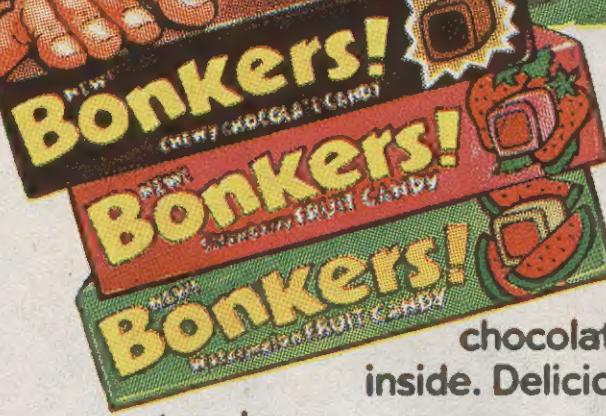
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REALLY, EVERYBODY! WHY ARE WE CHASING THIS DOG?

I KNOW!

UH-OH! HERE COMES ONE OF PRIZE POPPLE'S PRIZE, CRAZY STORIES!



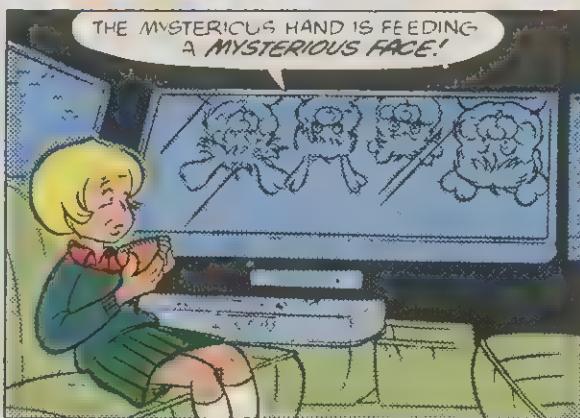
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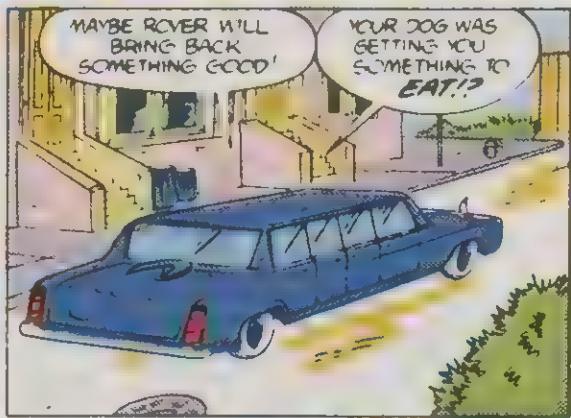
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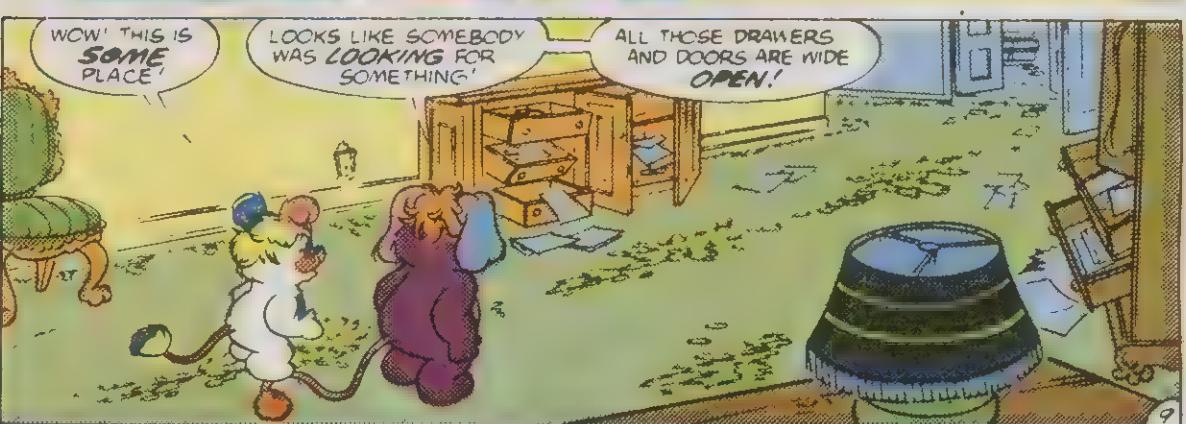
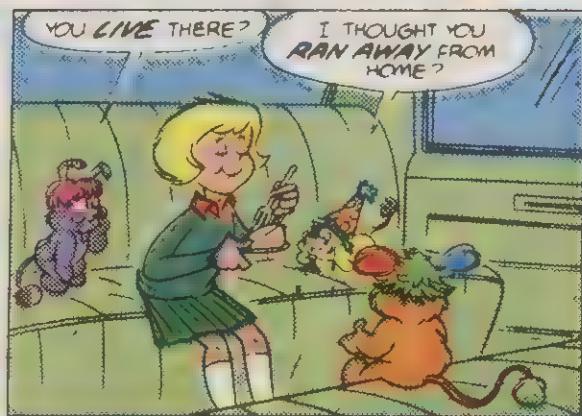
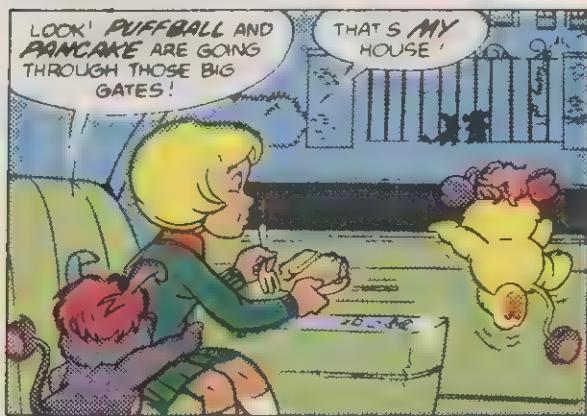
WHEN IT COMES TO MAKING UP STORIES, YOU TAKE THE PRIZE, PRIZE POPPLE!

Listen to Prize if you want to be wise!







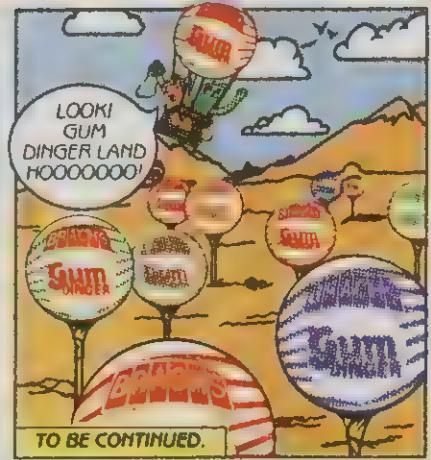
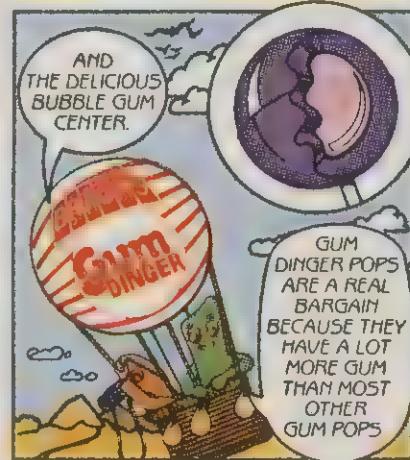
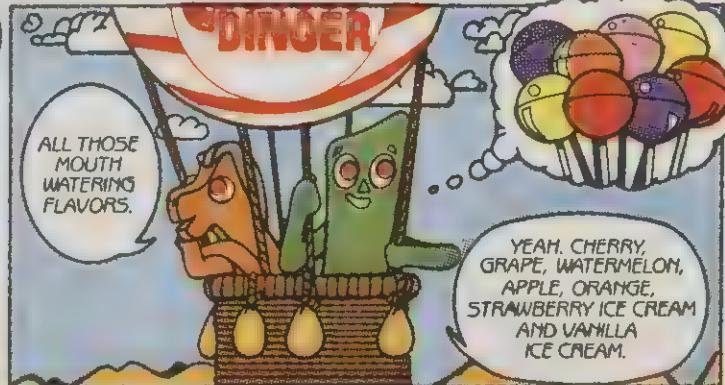


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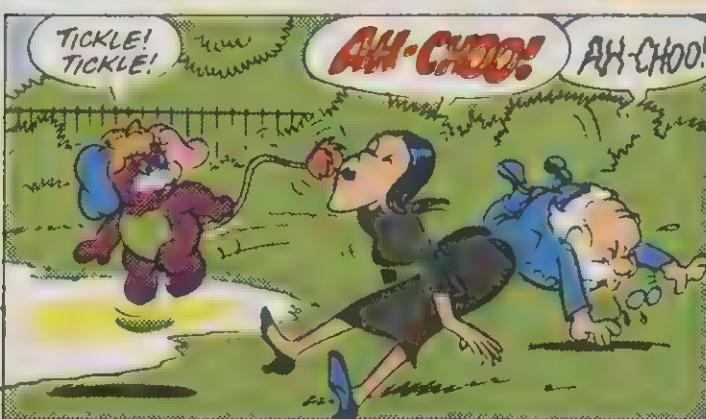
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HE'S A CHIPMUNK, YOU DODO!

I'M NOT A DODO, I'M A DOG! NAME'S FOOFUR!

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I HOPE SO. OTHERWISE THE SMURFS WOULD HAVE TO GET UP A HALF-HOUR EARLIER.

AND IF THAT HAPPENS I'LL SCREAM TILL I TURN BLUE.

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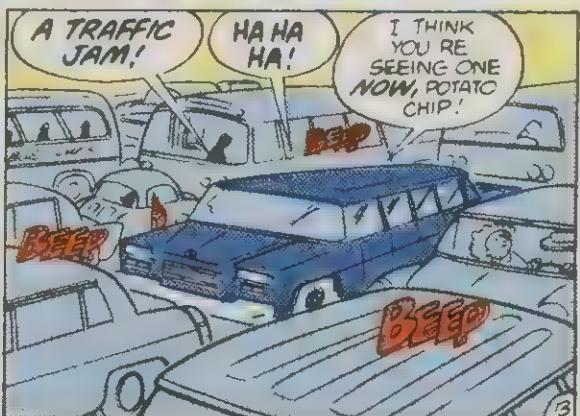
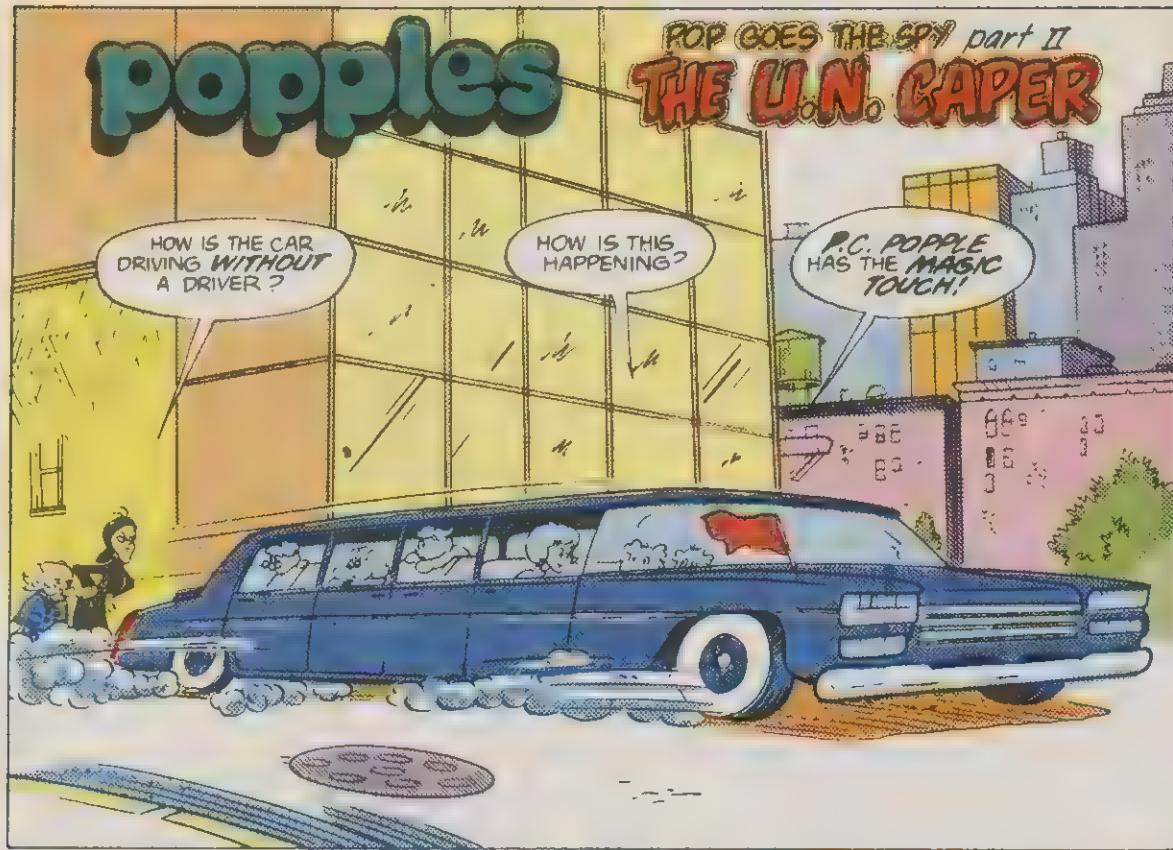
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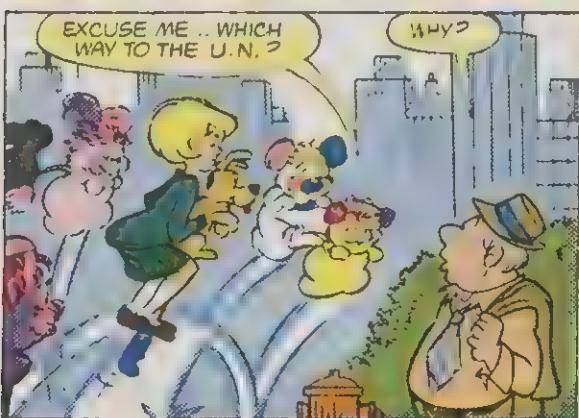


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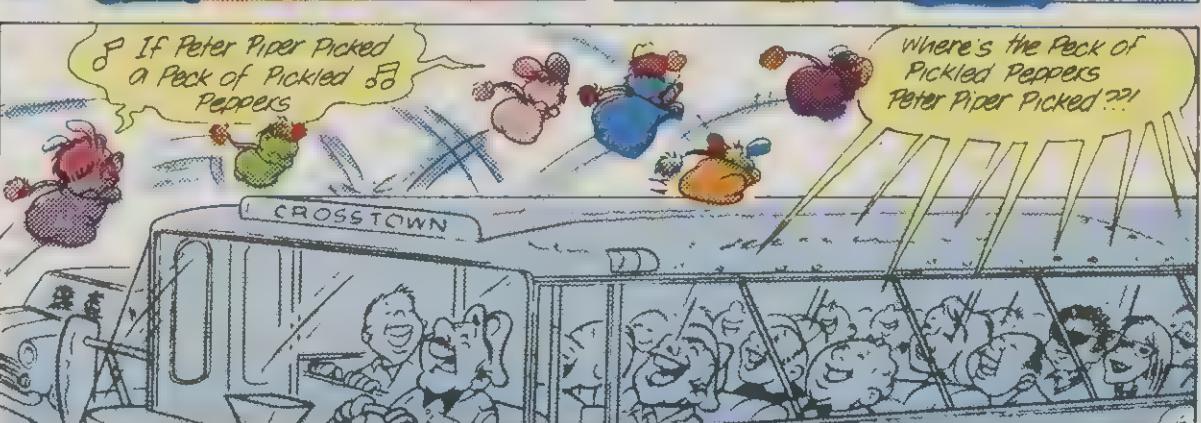
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Q If Peter Piper Picked a Peck of Pickled Peppers ♫

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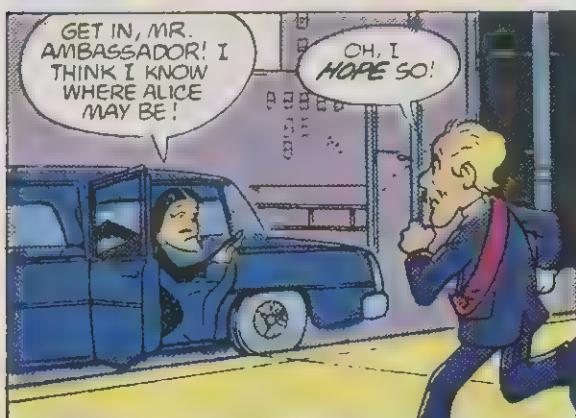
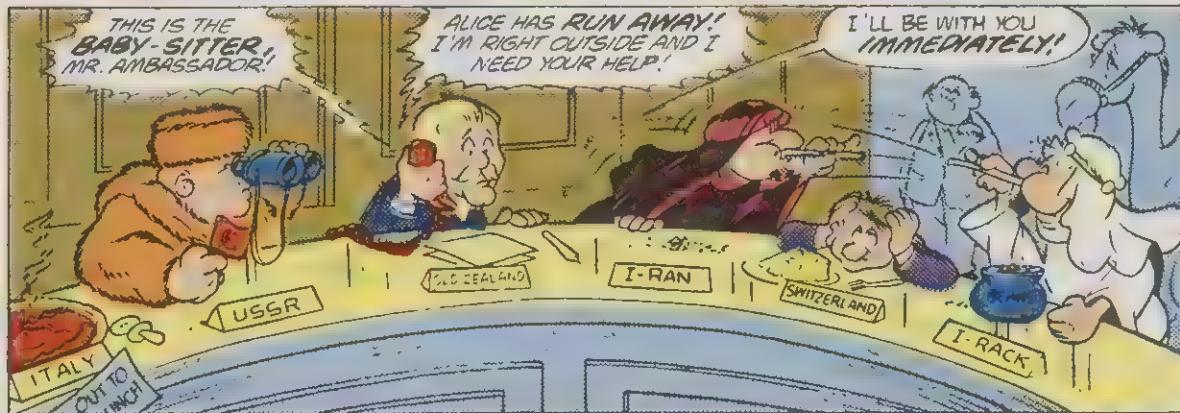
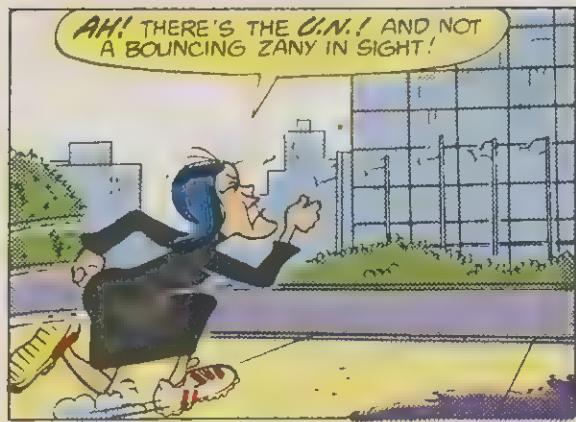
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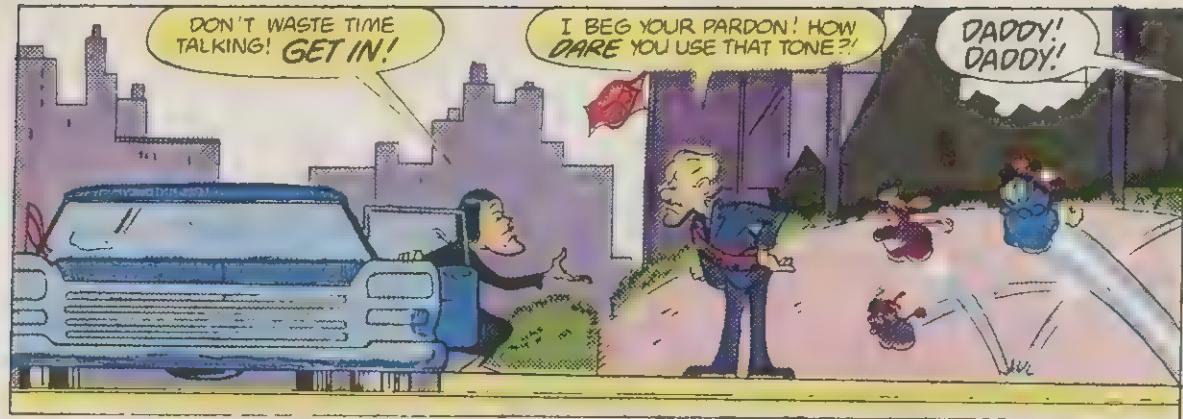


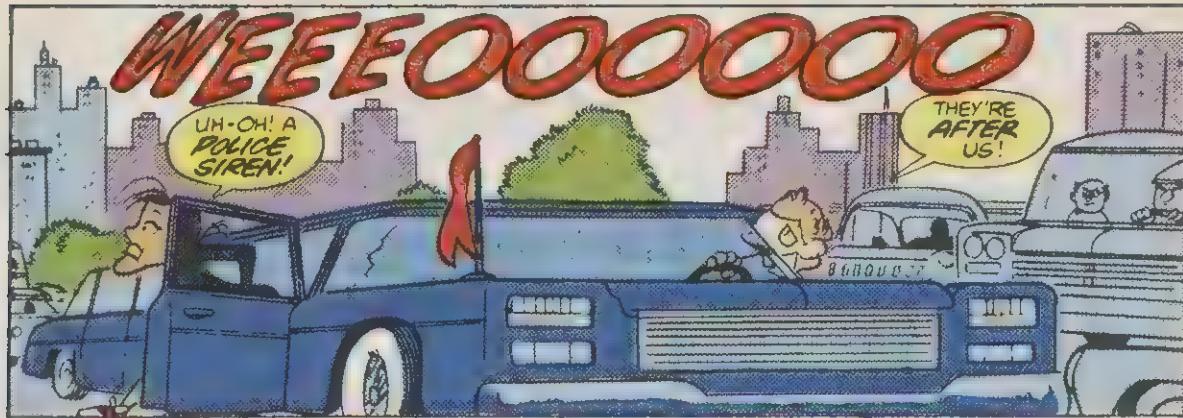
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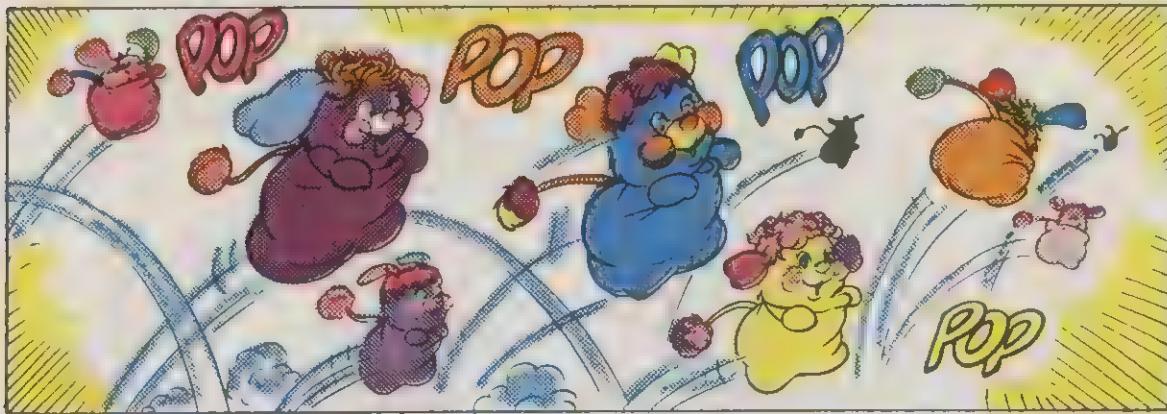
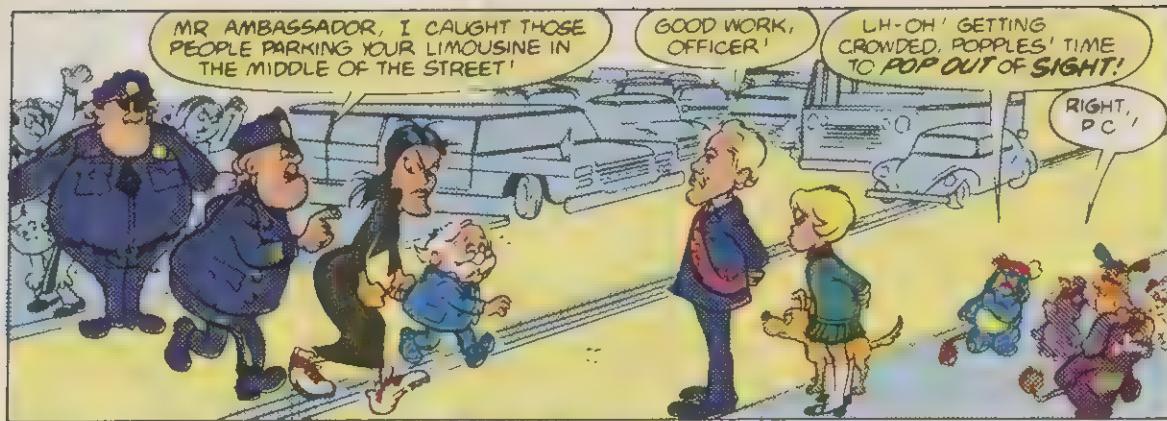
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At last! The mail bags have all been emptied! I've opened every letter, and counted all the votes! The results are final! The time has come to announce the winners of our very first ANNUAL SUPER-STAR AWARDS!

FAVORITE CHARACTER—

TOP DOG

With more than twice as many votes as any other character, good ol' *Top Dog* was clearly the people's choice. It's real obvious that our ever-friendly talking canine has won a very special place in your hearts. Tied for second place was *Wicket* (of *EWOKS* fame) and *Lion-O* (the leader of the *THUNDERCATS*).

FAVORITE CREATIVE PERSON—

DAVE MANAK

As most of you already know Dave is the regular writer on such books as *EWOKS* and *DROIDS*, as well as *HEATHCLIFF* and *MAD-BALLS*. He must be doing something right because an awful lot of you voted for him. (Gosh, I hope he

doesn't use this as an excuse to ask me for another raise!) Your other top favorite creative people were *Warren Kremer* (the penciler of *TOP DOG*, *HUGGA BUNCH* and a host of other titles), *David Michelinie* (writer of *THUNDERCATS*), *Marie Severin* (artist on *FRAGGLE ROCK* and *MUPPET BABIES*), and *George Roussos* (who colors books like *CARE BEARS* and *HEATH-CLIFF*). A few of you even voted for me, but I took myself out of the running because I didn't think it would be fair since I was the guy who was running the contest and counting the votes. (Besides, after the first few sacks of mail, I realized that I wasn't going to win, anyway!)

FAVORITE STORY—a three way tie

between . . .

- "Eye Of The Kreegon" (EWOKS #8)
- "The Storyland Caper" (MUPPET BABIES #8)
- "Jaga Quest" (THUNDERCATS #4)

Whew! This was the hardest category of all! It seemed like everyone of you had a different favorite story, and I'm sure that every story we've ever published received at least one vote. The runners-up are "*The Town That Never Grew up*" (PETER POKER, THE SPECTACULAR SPIDER-HAM #3), "*The Care Bears Meet The Scare Bear*" (CARE BEARS #4) and "*The Secret Life Of Top Dog*" (TOP DOG #4).

I want to thank the many thousands of you who took the time to vote. I really enjoyed reading all of your letters, and finding out your real favorites among STAR COMICS. Don't be sad if your particular favorites didn't win this year, because we'll do this again next year!

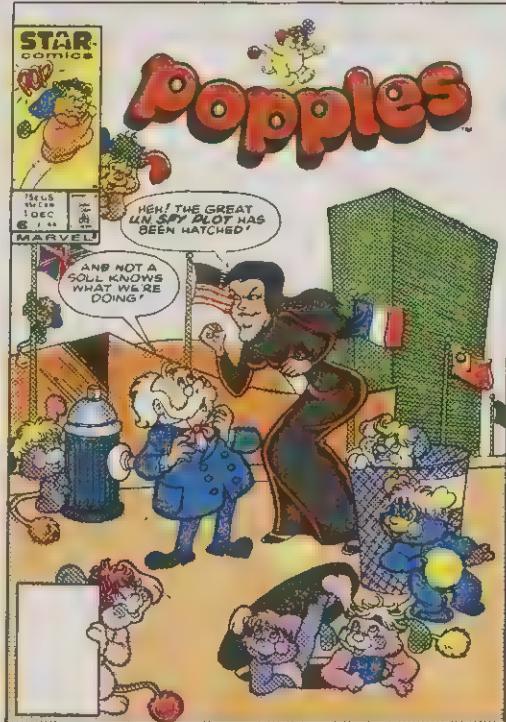
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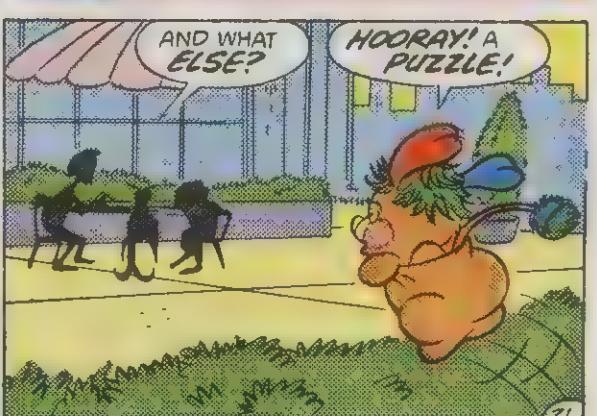
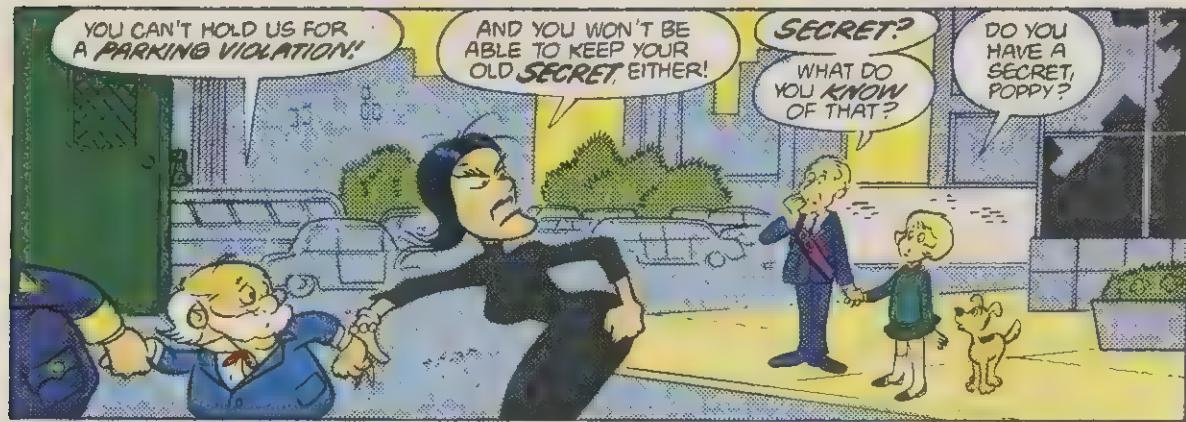
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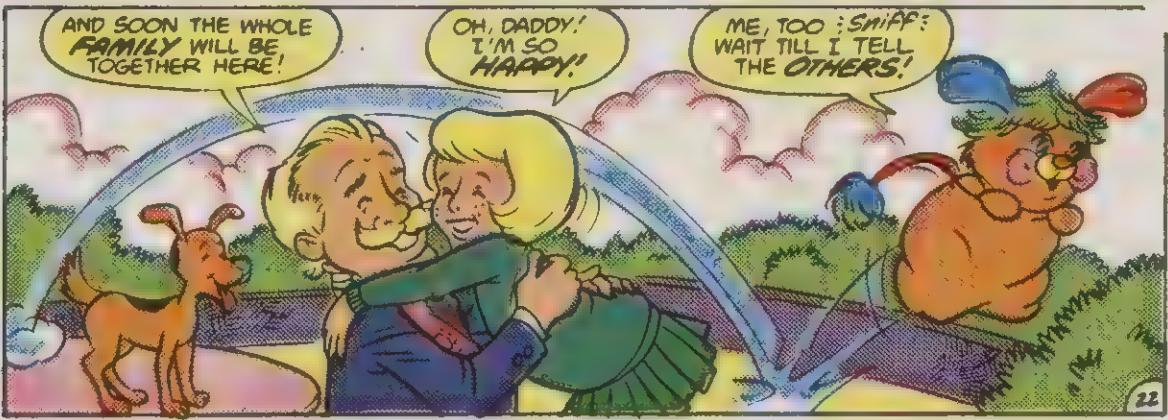
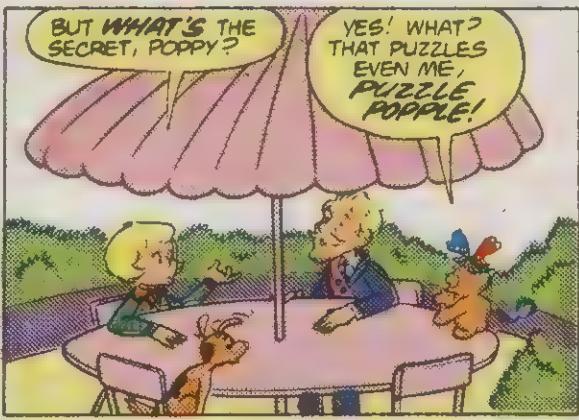
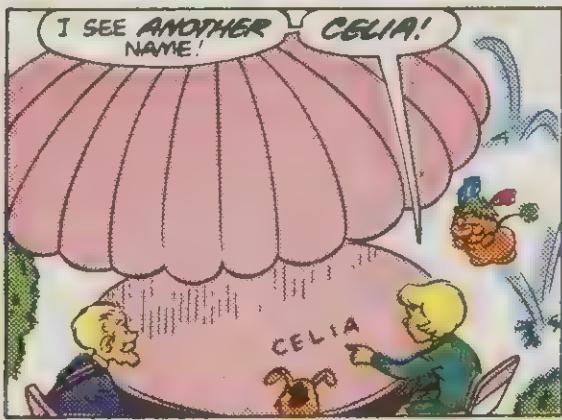
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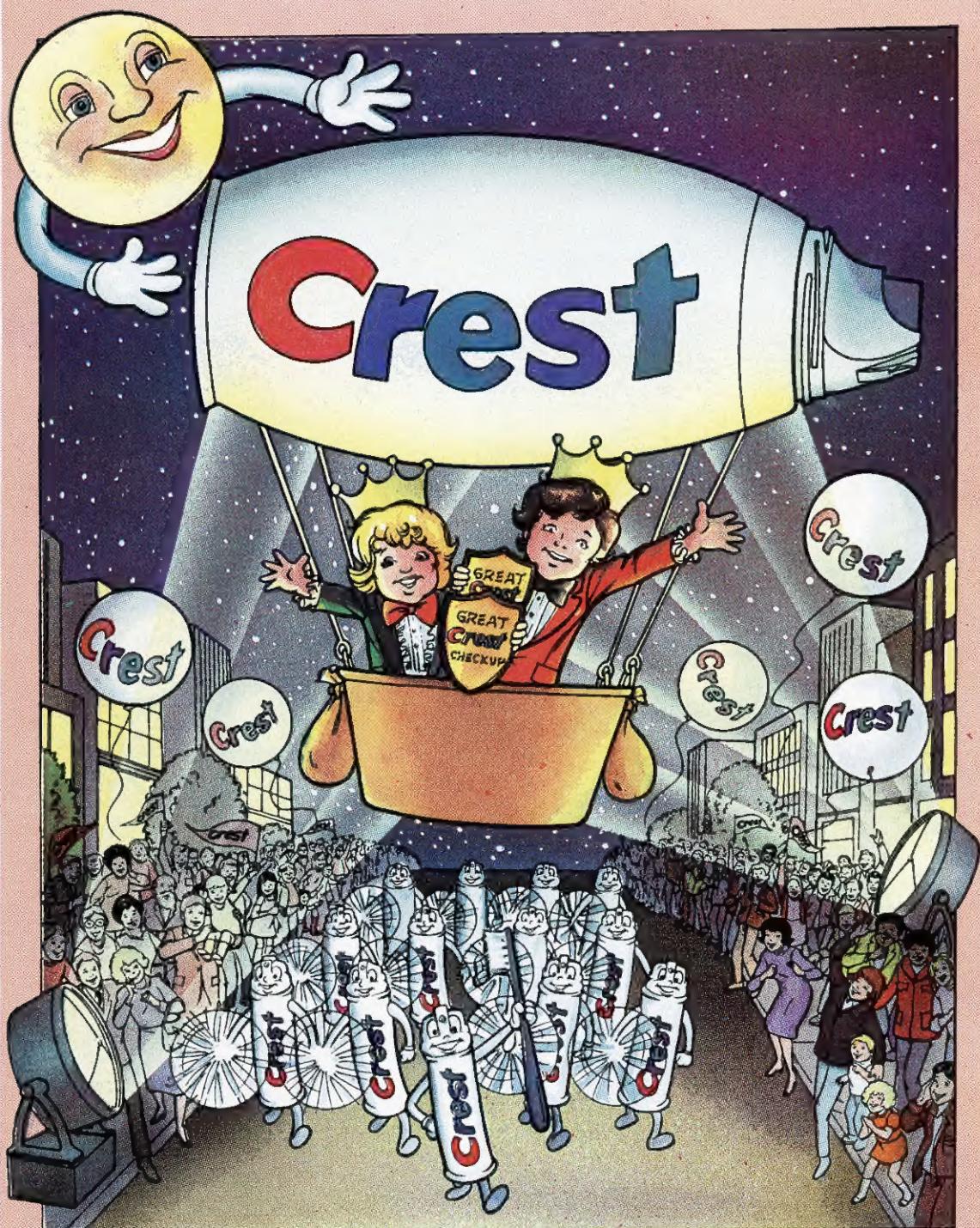
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